copy of the same is attached. (See below). In pursuance of para 2 of the Resolution, a Committee on promotion of communal harmony has been set up to evolve a definite plan of action to deal with the menace of communalism.

Resolution adopted by the National Integration Council on 11th April, 1990

The National Integration Council, at its meeting held at New Delhi on 11th April, 1990, expresses its grave concern over the escalation in terrorist violence in Punjab and the anti-national activities of secessionists in the Kashmir Valley, the emergence of forces of separatism in Assam and the increase in communal tension in the country. This meeting also notes with anxiety the re-emergence, with greater severity, of destabilising forces which are operating in the garb of terrorism, communal fanaticism and separatism which are receiving assistance from across the border.

2. After reviewing the communal situation in the country, the Council resolves to set up a Committee to recommend a plan of action to effectively counter this growing menace.

3. In regard to Ram Janma Bhoomi —Babri Masjid controversy, the Council appeals to all concerned to exercise utmost restraint and seek an amicable solution of the problem as early as possible.

4. The Council reaffirms the resolve of the nation and the determination of all political parties and groups to defend the freedom, unity, integrity and secular character of the nation It also reiterates its resolve to mobilise all nationalist, democratic and secular forces to meet the challenge of violence, secessionism, communalism and fundamentalism.

5. The Council affirms the resolve of the people to meet the challenges facing the country's unity, integrity and its secular democratic polity in a united and determined manner.

Indian assistance to Iran for earthquake victims

1635. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have extended any assistance to Iran for the earthquake victims; and

(b) if so, the details of the assistance extended for the earthquake victims in that country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH): (a) and (b) Government have provided humanitarian assistance worth Rs. 1 crore to Iran in the aftermath of the devastating earthquake which struck the northern Iranian provinces of Gilan and Zanjan on June 21, 1990. The emergency relief supplies consisted of essential drugs and medicines, blankets, bedsheets, hurricane lamps, towels, soap cakes, milk powder and candles. These supplies were airlifted to Iran on 26th, 28th and 30th June, 1990.

Property tax in Delhi

1636. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a scheme of collecting house tax through payment of ten years' tax in lump sum was introduced by the Delhi Municipal Corporation;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme, the number of house owners who availed of the scheme and the amount collected during the last three years;

(c) whether Corporation had started through recent press advertisements that certificates would be issued to persons who paid house tax under the scheme; and

(d) if so, the number of persons to whom such certificates have been